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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by Board Chair Dawn Hall Apgar.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW (Chair)
Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW (Vice-Chair)
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq.
Deanna Sperling, MS, RN
Philip McCabe, CSW, CAS, CDVC, DRCC

Absent:

Carolyn Bradley, Ph.D., LCSW, LMFT, LCADC
Lisa Cox, Ph.D., LCSW
Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC
Elizabeth Manley, MSW, LSW
Patricia McKernan, MSW, LSW

Also attending:

Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
ToniAnn Petrella-Diaz - Confidential Assistant

Announcement of Quorum

Board Chair Dawn Hall Apgar announced there was no quorum and that the Board would work as a Committee at 9:40 a.m.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post.

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed the May 11, 2016 public session minutes.

Upon motion made by Dr. Hall Apgar, and seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Committee voted to recommend approval of the May 11, 2016 minutes as presented.

Voting in favor: all.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Walker discussed with the Committee that Elite Continuing Education's courses are not approved by the ASWB NJ and that they have taken down the courses that were previously shown as approved. Once they have been accepted by the ASWB NJ as approved courses, they will be offered by Elite at a 10% discount. Dr. Walker will clarify with Elite what will happen to licensees who have already signed up for the courses, and if payment for unapproved courses will be refunded. If the courses be approved by the ASWB NJ asked the Board to retroactively accept the courses by licensees who signed up for the courses prior to approval, and the Board agreed. There will also be a notification put on the www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/sw website to remind licensees that individual courses need to be approved by NJ for NJ continuing education credit.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public were present:

Mary Jean Weston, MSW, LCSW, Assoc. Executive Director, NASW-NJ

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Ms. Weston asked the Committee what the requirements of the Board are for a licensee who does not have current clinical experience, and taking the clinical exam is not enough to prove clinical competency.

The Committee responded that clinical experience over five (5) years will not be accepted unless the application has current clinical experience, and may need to be working under supervision to show clinical competency. The exam is not enough to show clinical competency.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS

- 1. Christine Czerniecki, LSW - Catherine Connelly, LCSW-NY** is approved to supervise Ms. Czerniecki.
- 2. Elaine Kirby, MSW - Steven McGaffigan, LCSW-IL**, is not approved to supervise Ms. Kirby. Mr. McGaffigan will need to submit a Curriculum Vitae for the Board to review.

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

The Committee voted to recommend approval for all of the following candidates as qualified for LCSW, LSW and CSW based on review of their application documents and in accordance with the Statute and Regulations and subject to review in the cases of pending criminal history background checks.

LCSW APPLICATIONS PENDING BOARD APPROVAL

COMPLETED CRIMINAL HISTORY:

Arlyn C. Abouzied
Sara E. Bresnahan
Ariela Brum
Lindsay A. Catarzi
Nadia Darbouze
Michelle E. Duff
Elizabeth Flores
Leslie-Ann Fromen
Susan K. Jagodich
Daniella Jernick
Shydu H. Kato
Kelly H. Koeller
Debra M. Marx
Peggy C. Noel
Sara A. Parente
Sarai R. Southrey
Megan Tantum
Jamie E. Secol
Matthew T. Stilley
Sherry L. Van Fossan

PENDING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK:

Jennifer R. Burleson
Maris A. Chavenson
Nadia Darbouze
Nanci A. David Flores
Denise R. Dickinson
Kathleen E. Manalio
Megan Marshall
Lisa M. Rapp
David Ventimiglia

CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED

Adelfio	Rachael	L.
Afflitto	Lisa	M.
Albert	Hillary	S.
Ambrose	Chloe	A.
Andretta	Ashley	
Aquino	Gabriel	S.
Avagliano	<u>Heather</u>	<u>D.</u>

Baldwin	Nancy	B.
Barzilay	<u>Jessica</u>	<u>G.</u>
Becker	Taylor	K.
Bellina	Danielle	
Bellina	Taryn	R.
Bliss	<u>Faith</u>	<u>A.</u>
Bock	Kaycee	K.
Bohinek	Alexa	N.
Borova	Diana	
Bradford	Lindsey	M.
Brown	Monae	D.
Bruno	Sandra	
Burstein	<u>Michele</u>	<u>F.</u>
Bustamante	Shayra	L.
Campbell	Jennier	M.
Caporoso	Kristi	D
Carrera	Christie	M.
Cerniglia	Breanna	A.
Chaleff	Norman	J.
Chiari	Lauren	L.
Cistrelli	Apri.	L.
Coleman	Andrew	D.
Connolly	Caitlin	A.
Crandon	Iesha	A.
Crick	Joshua	J.
Cullere	Alyssa	J.
DaFoe	Crystal	M.
Dancy	Keith	M.
David	Esther	
Davison	Bethany	K.
Decher	Nicole	M.
Delorenzo	Della	E.
DeMaio	Chelsea	E.
Dembiec	Brianna	L.
Devery	Kelsey	E.
Dipace	Danielle	E.
Ducker	Melissa	E.
Dyckman	Kelly	A.
Eckert	Kaitlin	M.
Eller	Amanda	L.
Ellis	Rashada	L.
Elman	Alyssa	M.
Elsayed	Amanda	M.
Escobedo	Sylwia	

Fleck	Jacqueline	J.
Flynn-Higgins	Siobhan	P.
Foley	Collette	A.
Forte	Avery	A.
Fox	Kristen	D.
Frazier	Janelle	M.
Freedgood	Karen	T.
Friedman	Maria	C.
Fries	Tara	
Garcia	Dunia	M.
Genovesi	Regina	M.
Gentile	Selena	M.
Gnecco	Georgianna	
Golden	Andrew	D.
Guidice	Natalie	R.
Gunn	Michelle	E.
Hann	Carly	E.
Hayes	Latanya	G.
Heasman	Stephanie	L.
Hynes	Brenda	
Jackman	Melina	A.
Jimenez	Melany	
Jonas	Maria	A.
Kearney	Kayla	A.
Keenan	Brittany	M.
Kirby	Karen	J.
Klein	Adam	J.
Koiwl	Barbara	M.
Kraft	Meredith	H.
Kreitz	Karen	A.
Kuchinsky	Steven	L.
Latner	Benjamin	H.
Lees	Jeremy	L.
Leja	Crystal	A.
Lichtman	Soryl	S.
Lonza	Deidre	S.
Lovaglio	Karen	J.
Margetich	Cara	L.
Markowski	Amanda	K.
Maroney	Allison	J.
McGinness	Kelli	A.
Meehan	Melissa	A.
Miskura	Christina	L.
Morales	Antonio	

Mueller	Eta	
Muncie	Allison	G.
Naughton	Laura	E.
Ng-Tedjasukmana	Mary	
Nguyen	Brian	
Nguyen	Julie	
O'Connor	Alicia	E.
Ortiga	Eileen	A.
Osmun	Andrea	E.
Ostrow	Haley	J.
Page	Veronica	M.
Pallone	Sarah	L.
Palmer	Danielle	A.
Paneca-Navarro	Stephanie	
Parks	Lauren	E.
Peri	Deena	L.
Pieciak	Tina	M.
Pineiro	Sandra	
Prager	Rachel	L.
Rhodes	Laura	C.
Rosenblatt	Amanda	K.
Rubbert	Elisa	C.
Sadeghi	Amy	G.
Savas	Amanda	N.
Schnall	Lisa	I.
Scudi	Jessica	L.
Servakh	Gloria	
Shah	Shikha	P.
Shaw	Amanda	
Shehadeh	Michelle	M.
Sheldon	Brett	A.
Sheridan	Maureen	D.
Sherry	Amanda	
Smith	Laura	
Spence	Shameika	
Stacy	Meaghan	
Sucaldito	Michelle	Y.
Talley	Stephanie	A.
Thomes	Kari	E.
Tomasso	Kasey	C.
Tracey	Kerry	A.
Troup	Brittany	T.
Vaz	Steven	
Viola	Thomas	J.

Walus	Chelsea	L.
Warowitz	Tammy	S.
Wheeler	Kate	
Wilson	Heather	A.
Wilson	Lauren	K.
Wittmer	Jennifer	L.
Young	Nikira	A.
Zelner	Emily	S.
Zimbaldi	Stephanie	L.

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

Beecroft	Elizabeth	A.
Bethea	Tiffany	L.
Bowes	Erin	K.
Bravo	Diana	I.
Brouca	Dana	
Cerniglia	Breanna	A.
Chambers	Diana	L.
Chapman	Jonathan	M.
Dorry	Farrah	C.
Flora-Holmquist	Jade	A.
Gigantino	Jessica	A.
Gray	Maeve	M.
Hartstein	Aimee	B.
Henry	Beuderkubg	
Huff	Christopher	A.
Hughes	Ashely	M.
Ivashenko	Katrina	M.
Kasen	Rebecca	M.
Katz	Sari	F.
Lisi	Nicole	R.
Louis	Courtney	M.
Ludwig	Katya	H.
Matheson	Katherine	
Maurice	Farrah	M.
McClain	Teloria	D.
Mehta	Dhruti	Y.
Meles	Aaron	D.
Meyer	Christine	
Mille	Victoria	N.
Mills	Kimberly	A.

Morris	Jennifer	K.
Myers	Deidre	
Novoa	Dhesyre	
O'Brien	Devin	M.
Pavlidakes	Jacquelyn	V.
Pierro	Sherri	L.
Pikaard	Leonard	W.
Pollock	Caitlin	
Powell	Jacqueline	
Rich	Daraian	E.
Roth-Jones	Donna	M.
Salazar	<u>Rachel</u>	<u>E.B.</u>
Schwartz	Miriam	
Small	Portland	C.
Smith	Allison	M.
Tavori	Tamar	S.
Thompson	David	A.
Tinter	Adam	
Tompkins	Justin	D.
Weinriech	Erin	N.
Westfall	Gabrielle	J.
Wolfrum	Rachel	A.

CSW CANDIDATES

Megan L. Grap
Davina D. Hector
Robbin S. Roberts
Kiarra T. Jackson
Keona E. Wright

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

Ingrid B. Alcivar
Nkeseobong Apkan
Christie F. Babilonia
Enjoli V. Berry
Elizabeth A. Conover
Victoria E. Cooper
Stephanie M. Corbosiero
Sheila Cox
Brooke A. Gainey
Julia T. Gembry
Amanda L. Goritski
Megan L. Grap
Jennifer K. Harrigan

Shatese R. Jackson
Elina Kaziu
Nicole Maggio
Kylie E. Magitz
Shawn N. Mahmood
Rosemary Mensah-Dubose
Roswitha Michiemo
Seamus C. Morgan
Lauren P. O'Brien
Lalita D. Parasram
Antonia I. Popo
Lee D. Quijano
Ashley Rodroquez
Deanna E. Rudcco
Zulma E. Sanabria
Julia V. Schaefer
Keziah D. Tan
Adeana S. Williams
Harry W. Wright
Rosanny Veras
Sharon Zarate

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Progress report regarding Meshulem M. Epstein, MSW, LCSW

The Committee reviewed the progress report for Mr. Epstein from his supervisor, Yosef G. Gurevitch, MSW, LCSW.

The Committee voted to recommend to inform Mr. Gurevitch that his final report is not sufficient and needs to follow the guidelines of N.J.A.C. 13:44G-8.1, and provide specific clinical examples that show Mr. Epstein's knowledge and skills. Until the final report is acceptable, supervision needs to continue with Mr. Epstein.

IX. DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

Junette C. Europe, CSW

The Committee reviewed the signed and filed Consent Order for Ms. Europe.

The Committee accepted this as informational.

X. REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

No items to review.

XI. MEETING DATES FOR 2016

July 13, 2016 - Hudson Conference Room

August 10, 2016 - Hudson Conference Room

September 14, 2016 - Monmouth Conference Room

October 19, 2016 - Monmouth Conference Room

November 9, 2016 - Hudson Conference Room
December 14, 2016 - Hudson Conference Room

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Public session closed at 10:26 a.m. and the Committee moved to executive session upon motion by Dr. Hall Apgar, seconded by Ms. Sperling. The Committee re-entered public session at 2:45 p.m. upon motion made by Ms. Borden, and seconded by Ms. Manley, to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW
Chair